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ASHLAND INC

Form 4

December 17, 2002

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM $4\,$

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

() Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.

Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

 Name and Address of Reporting Person Jackson, Mannie L.

Harlem Globetrotters, International 400 East Van Buren Street, Suite 300 Phoenix, Arizona 85004

 Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ashland Inc.

- 3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
- 4. Statement for Month/Year December 16, 2002
- 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
- 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) (X) Director () 10% Owner () Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below)
- 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 - (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
 - () Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owne	Table I	Non-Derivative	Securities	Acquired,	Disposed	of,	or	Beneficially	Owned
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1. Title of Security	2. 3. 4.Securi	ties Acquired (A) sposed of (D)	5.Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at
	Date Code V Amou		
Common Stock	1 1 1 1	1 1	1,000 (1)
Common Stock			2,000

Table II -- Derivative Securitites Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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	Price of	.			posed o	f(D)		Day/Year)		rit
	Deriva-							Date Expir		
	tive					-	A/	Exer- ation	Title and Number	1
	Secu-						D	cisa- Date	of Shares	
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Option (2)	43.125 	 				 		- 1-31- 07	- Common 	Stock 1	1,000	
Option (2)	52.75 	 				 	7-30- 98		- Common 	Stock :	1,000	
Option (3)	46.76 	 				 	7-31- 02		 - Common 	Stock 2	2,500	
Common Stock Units	(4) 1-for-1		 -6 J 		139 	 A 			Common	Stock :	139	\$29
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Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents shares of restricted common stock acquired pursuant to Ashland's stock incentive plans as approved by the shareholders and exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3.
- 2. Stock options(represents a right to buy Ashland Common Stock) under Ashland's Deferred Compensation for Non-Employee Directors. The stock option includes a tax withholding feature pursuant to the plan.
- 3. Stock options (represents a right to buy Ashland Common Stock) under Ashland's Amended and Restated Incentive Plan. The stock option includes a tax withholding feature pursuant to the plan.
- 4. Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors as of 12-16-02, payable in cash or stock upon termination of service and exempt

under Rule 16b-3. (One (1) Common Stock Unit in the Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock)

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

Amelia A. McCarty Attorney-in-Fact

DATE

December 16, 2002